



## OUTREACH NOTICE

Quemado Ranger District  
Quemado, New Mexico



### Natural Resource Manager (Recreation) GS-0401-5/7/9

The Gila National Forest, will soon be advertising one Natural Resource Manager (Recreation) - GS-0401-5/7/9 position on the Quemado Ranger District, located in Quemado, New Mexico. The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Governments official website for employment opportunities at, [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov).

Interested applicants or those desiring more information should contact Susan Kennedy, Support Services Specialist, at (575) 773-4678, e-mail [skennedy@fs.fed.us](mailto:skennedy@fs.fed.us). Please complete the attached outreach form, and return it to Susan Kennedy prior to February 28, 2015.

#### Job Duties

The position manages and oversees the district's developed and dispersed recreation program, trails (motorized and non-motorized), recreational special uses programs (primarily outfitter guide), and non-recreational special uses.

The primary aspects of the position include:

- Preparing and implementing recreation plans.
- Inspecting the full range of recreation uses, for compliance with terms of use permits.
- Recommending potential sites or areas for additional or reduced recreational use.
- Planning development, including campgrounds, picnic areas, and parking areas.
- Providing assistance and/or leadership to the preparation of environmental analysis reports including impact of proposed recreational sites on other resources such as soil, water, timber, range, and wildlife.
- Processing of special use applications including on-the-ground investigation of site suitability, preparation of associated environmental assessment reports, and special use permits.



- Compiling material and supply estimates or oversee compilations of estimates for the construction and maintenance of recreational facilities.
- Planning, executing and monitoring the annual recreation program budget.
- Ensuring compliance of OHV operations with federal laws, reporting all known violations of law or regulation by completing appropriate forms.
- Planning, assigning, and evaluating work to be accomplished by subordinates.
- Setting and adjusting short-term priorities. Preparing schedules for completion of work.
- Coordinating within the unit to ensure that timeliness, form, procedure, accuracy, quality and quantity standards are met in individual cases.
- Providing data entry services such as entering District data into SUDS program.
- Providing Forestry Technician orientation, training, and management to volunteer staff.
- Coordination with the Supervisors Office on small scale Lands permits.

### **ABOUT THE FOREST**

The Gila National Forest, 3.3 million acres of mountainous forest and rangeland, rises proudly above the desert country of New Mexico. The Gila boasts more federal land than any other national forest in the contiguous United States and is home to the first designated wilderness area.

Unique features on the forest include an ancient Mogollon site now preserved as the Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument, the historic water pipeline of the Catwalk of the Whitewater Canyon, 170 miles of the Continental Divide Trail, and the Aldo Leopold, Gila, and Blue Range Wilderness Areas.

### **THE DISTRICT**

The Quemado Ranger District encompasses more than 700,000 acres of the Gila National Forest and was originally administered by the Apache National Forest. In 1974, administrative responsibility of the Apache transferred to the Gila. Later in 1995, the Quemado and Luna Ranger Districts consolidated to create the Quemado Ranger District.

Twenty full-time District employees staff the fully integrated offices of the Luna Work Center located in Luna, NM and the Quemado Ranger Station in Quemado, NM. Integrated resource management programs on the Quemado Ranger District include:

- Management of the nationally recognized ***Game Unit 15*** elk herd with primitive weapons only hunting.
- Integrated program of wildlife and range ***riparian improvement*** projects.
- Nationally recognized ***watershed improvement*** and ***range betterment*** programs.
- Cooperation with the ***Mexican Gray Wolf Reintroduction*** program.
- ***Partnership*** programs designed to accomplish mutual objectives with grazing allotment permittees, youth groups, conservation groups, local residents, and local governments.

- Ecosystem based *timber* program designed to benefit forest health, wood product users and visitors.
- Use of planned and unplanned ignitions to restore landscapes.
- An active fire management program, with 50 to 80 wildfires reported annually.
- Collaborative fire management program with local communities and Volunteer Fire Departments, state agencies and other federal agencies.

The District offers many outdoor recreation opportunities including the **Quemado Lake Recreation Area**, elevation 7,860', where trout and tiger muskie fishing, hiking, and camping attract visitors from all over New Mexico to the 130-acre lake. Three developed campgrounds skirt the lake's edge.

With an average annual rainfall of 15 inches, there are many dry, sunny days in this 4-season climate for visitors to take advantage of the abundant game population of elk, deer, pronghorn, javelina, bear, mountain lion, and wild turkeys. Many visitors enjoy camping in one of the four primitive campgrounds, watching for bald eagles and other wildlife, visiting the many lookout towers and archeological sites, or hiking the more than 30 miles of trails including a section of the **Continental Divide Trail**.

### **LIFE IN QUEMADO**

The unusual name for this cozy community of 250 folks originates from the 1880's story of Jose Antonio Padilla. When Padilla settled near a creek east of the present town, he found that American Indians opposing outsiders burned the surrounding brush. Consequently, he named the area "Quemado," Spanish for "burned." Today, a grassland valley surrounded by piñon pine and juniper hills no longer shows the scars of a historic past and accentuates the extinct volcanic area of Quemado.

Located in Catron County (*NM largest*), Quemado, elevation 6,890', is a service center for local ranchers offering one café, two motels, two gas/convenience stations both with Gas/Diesel pumps, two service garage's with mechanic's on duty, one well stocked country grocery store, a hardware store, Catholic and Baptist churches, and a post office.

The modern community oriented school in Quemado provides grades K-12 while opportunities for higher education are available more locally at the branches of Northland Pioneer College in Springerville, AZ and New Mexico State University in Grants, NM. Several four-year universities are located in New Mexico including; University of New Mexico (Albuquerque), New Mexico State (Las Cruces), New Mexico Highlands (Las Vegas), Western New Mexico University (Silver City), and New Mexico Tech (Socorro).

Medical facilities are provided by the once a week Clinic from Catron County in Reserve. Full service communities at Springerville, AZ (50 miles west) Grants, NM (84 miles north), Socorro, NM (110 miles east), Silver City, NM (160 miles south), and Show Low, AZ (100 miles west) provide additional shopping and medical facilities. The city of Albuquerque, NM (154 miles north) has the nearest large scale, commercial airport to meet all travel needs.

## **HOUSING**

Housing for this position may be available in the form of either crew quarters or family residence. There are typically rentals, trailer spaces, and some homes for sale in the area. Contact Susan Kennedy, Support Services Specialist at (575) 773-4678, for current information on housing opportunities in the local area.

To find more information about the Gila National Forest and the Quemado Ranger District, visit our website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/gila>.

## OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

### Natural Resource Manager (Recreation)

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*Please return by 02/28/2015*

If you are interested in this position, **please complete this form and return to Susan Kennedy at [skennedy@fs.fed.us](mailto:skennedy@fs.fed.us)** or by fax at (575)773-4114.

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I am interested and would like to be considered for the Natural Resource Manager (Recreation)

Position Title: **Natural Resource Manager (Recreation)**

Location: **Region 3, Gila NF, Quemado Ranger District**

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name:

Date:

E-Mail Address:

Phone:

Current title/series/grade:

Are you currently a Federal employee? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

IF YES: Current Agency and location:

Type of Appointment: \_\_\_\_ Permanent \_\_\_\_ Term \_\_\_\_ Temporary

If you are not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee are you eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities:

- \_\_\_\_ Person with Disabilities
- \_\_\_\_ Veterans Readjustment
- \_\_\_\_ Former Peace Corps Volunteer
- \_\_\_\_ Disabled Veteran w/ 30% Compensable Disability
- \_\_\_\_ Student Career Experience Program
- \_\_\_\_ Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998
- \_\_\_\_ Other (please specify):